

Date: May 6, 2008
To: Ravalli County Commissioners
From: Shaen McElravy
Stevensville, MT 59870
Re: Sandhill Ridge Proposed Subdivision

Dear Commissioners,

I understand the public hearing regarding this proposed subdivision is scheduled for Thursday. I would like to agree with the recommendations of the Ravalli County Planning Board to deny the subdivision request. I am concerned that the request for this number of lots "may break the camels back" (quote Sheriff Hoffman.) The demand for emergency services is already stretched too thin and without a remote Sheriffs office in Florence, the response time for deputy assistance is much too long.

I am also concerned about the ground water and septic system numbers in the area. The area is already designated by the DEQ as moderate to reaching high density. This does not account for more recent knowledge and concerns that pharmaceuticals and over the counter medications are known to be contaminating wells up to and over 100 feet deep.

Sincerely,

Shaen McElravy

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